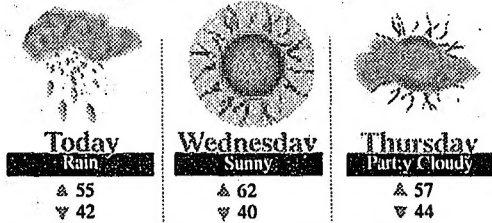


The answer you've all been waiting for is here.

Columnist David Johnson has the warnings of spring.

Pete Wetzel explains the "blue screen of death."



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Hanish Earns Award for Achievement and Leadership

LaTrina Parker
Staff Writer

This year's Vice Chancellor's Award was earned by Senior DeAnn Hanish, who exceeded the norm by remaining involved with many activities while staying focused on her classes.

Each year the vice chancellor of student affairs chooses a student whom they feel has shown their scholastic achievement and leadership on UNO's campus.

Hanish participated in volleyball, softball, band, choir, was senior class president and 4-H president at Whiting Community High School in Whiting, Iowa.

After coming to UNO, Hanish stayed active in softball, which led to her being a member of the GTE Division II Academic All-American District Team and the North Central Academic All Conference Team.

She later became involved with the Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society, which she serves as president.

Even though it was tough, Hanish managed to keep her near perfect grade point average while staying involved in extra curricular activities and working at least two jobs a week.

"It was a lot of work but I just tried to stay motivated. I had to sometimes push myself to succeed,"

Hanish said.

Hanish's managers helped out a great deal when it came to her activities by being flexible in her hours.

"I let them know that I was very active in school and that it was important to me and they understood," said Hanish.

Even though Hanish came to UNO on a softball scholarship, she only spent three years on the team, realizing she wanted to broaden her activities.

Hanish said she felt that she needed to get other experience so that she could start growing in other areas.

Over the next two years of her college career she became active in the Student Senate and Art History Organization, which left her with more activities on her plate.

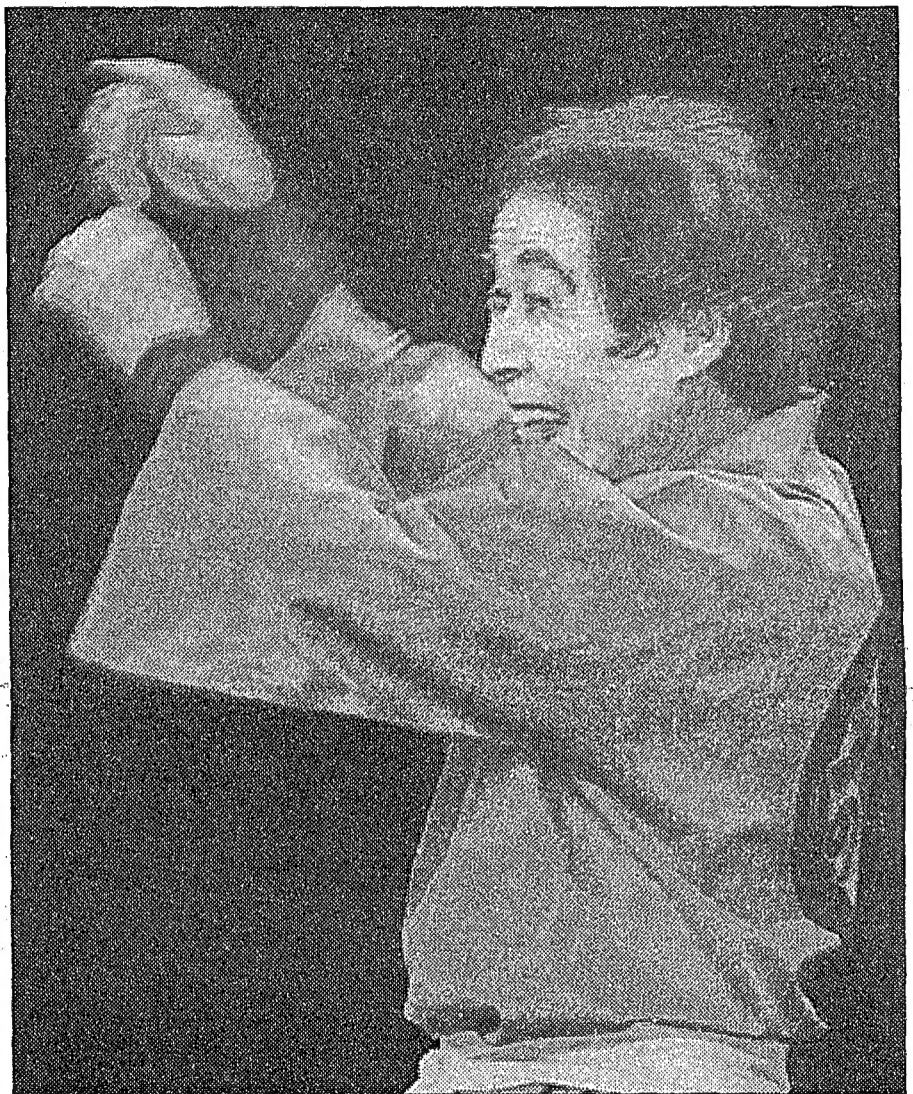
Since she was working with so many activities, Hanish felt that she would stick to three points to help her stay focused in her college career.

"I always try to stay organized by planning everything, try not to procrastinate, and always have fun," Hanish said.

Hanish feels college time should include more than just one's classes, but extra-curricular activities as well.

"College is the time to get involved with so many fun activities, she said. "When you get out into the real world the opportunity may not be there."

It's Just Mav-ulous



CM Chris Machlan

Mime Yass Hakoshima demonstrates movement theater. Hakoshima was on campus last week, along with other entertainers and educators as part of March Mavness week. For more photos of last week's events sponsored by SPO, see pages 8-9.

Green Room: A Safe Haven for UNO Theater Students

Christina Kadlek
Staff Writer

You'd miss it if you didn't know it was there.

Theater students, however, know that on the bottom floor of the Fine Arts Building, the second door from the elevators is not just another campus cubbyhole.

The Green Room, which actually has very little green in it, is more than just a backstage area to the people who "live" there.

"Friendships are formed in this room," said junior dramatic arts major Paul Coate. "It's our Mecca: a place to nap, study or socialize."

Most students agreed, listing sleeping, eating and unwinding as the most popular Green Room activities.

Junior drama major Jeremy Earl admitted

to visiting the Green Room at least once a day "just to release tensions. Sometimes you want to go somewhere where people all know where you're coming from. It's like Cheers except there's no liquor."

"It just sucks you in," said Erik Diaz, sophomore drama major. "You walk by, see if people are there, and go in."

Of course, there can be disadvantages. "It's the pit of procrastination," said graduate student Jennifer Stewart. "I try to avoid it at all costs."

Junior drama major Terry Brennan elaborated. "Let's say you're trying to study. Someone comes in and says, 'Hey, what are you doing?' and you explain that you're reading this story, and the color red is significant. They say, 'Yeah, I got a pair of red shoes the other day.' After that, you might as well forget studying."

A Green Room visit may distract one
see GREEN ROOM, page 10

Grants Awarded to UNMC Doctors

Marlene Wheeler
Staff Writer

Dr. Christopher Kratochvil, a child psychiatrist at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) recently received a \$224,348 grant which will be used to research the effects of a new drug designed to help children with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

The drug that is being used in UNMC's study may affect the brain in different ways than current available drugs. The study will be conducted over a one-year period and under guidelines set by Lilly, the company that developed the drug.

Kratochvil will conduct a three-phase study that involves administering the drug to boys between the ages of seven and 17, and girls from age seven until the onset of menstruation. A concern about the effects of the new drug on pregnancy is the reason for excluding older girls, said a source working with Dr. Kratochvil, who asked not to be identified.

Children enrolled in the study will take a daily dose of the new drug and have weekly visits with the doctor. The children involved in the study will receive all study-related care at no cost, but will not receive a stipend.

Fifteen children are enrolled in the study. Dr. Kratochvil is looking for 20 to 30 more children to participate. Parents of children with ADHD who would like more information about the study or would like to enroll their children can call 402-559-5056.

ADHD is one of the most common disorders of childhood, according to the journal of Emotional & Behavioral Disorders. Nearly three million school-age children in the United States are afflicted with ADHD and the numbers are growing.

According to the journal, children afflicted with Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), which is similar to ADHD, may have difficulty staying on task, focusing attention, completing work and are fidgety or spacey.

see GRANTS, page 11

Nineteen UNO Faculty Members to be Honored

Jennifer Corell
Staff Writer

Some say excellence deserves recognition, which is why 19 UNO faculty members will be honored at a breakfast April 14 for excellence in teaching and research.

Chosen faculty will be recipients of the University Excellence in Teaching Award, The Distinguished Research or Creative Activity Award, The Outstanding Research and Creative Activity Award, The Alumni Outstanding Teaching Awards and the 1998 Named Professorships.

William Clute, Ph.D., Sociology; James Conyers, Ph.D., Black Studies; and Deborah Irvin, Ph.D., Special Education/Communication Disorders, will be awarded The University Excellence in Teaching Award. The awards go to the professors whose "distinguished performance in classroom teaching is exemplified by their ability to educate and motivate students to develop the full range of their intellectual talents."

This award, presented by the Chancellor's office, recognizes that teaching and scholarship/creativity are closely related and includes performance outside the classroom in formal counseling and advising of students.

Related services to the university and to the community are also considered an activity to be a part of teaching excellence.

Irvin said the award makes her job worthwhile.

"I am quite pleased to receive it, it is really a great honor. This award makes you feel like you might be doing something right," Irvin said.

The three recipients of The Distinguished Research or Creative Activity Award are: Kris Berg, Ed.D., Health and Physical Education and Recreation; Shelton Hendricks, Ph.D., Psychology; and Yong Shi, Ph.D., Information

Systems and Quantitative Analysis. This award recognizes and honors achievement in research or creative activity by faculty members which is of sufficient originality and distinction to merit attention at the national level. Berg, an exercise physiologist, expressed his gratitude for receiving one of Distinguished Research or Creative Activity Awards.

"It is a tremendous honor, because there are so many exciting things going on now in research at UNO," Berg said. "I am very humbled."

Berg said the Health, Physical Education and Recreation's excellent research facilities give his department an edge over other departments.

"Our lab rivals and surpasses many in the country. It has allowed me to do things that we simply wouldn't be able to do without it," he said.

He also wanted to acknowledge his colleague, Rick Latin, an exercise physiologist, for his help and support with research.

"I would like to publicly express my thanks to him for being a great colleague for all these years," Berg said. "It helps tremendously to have a colleague that you can discuss research with," he said.

Criminal Justice professor, Cassia Spohn will be recognized for receiving the Outstanding Research and Creative Activity Award. This University system-wide award is one of the highest accolades granted to faculty members for outstanding research and creative activity. The recipients were recommended by committees of faculty members representing all four campuses of the University of Nebraska system.

"Her record speaks for itself," said Bob Meir, chair of the criminal justice department. "This is an award from the entire University system, so the competition is very stiff."

The Alumni Outstanding Teaching Awards

are presented by the UNO Alumni Association in order to honor distinguished teaching in the classroom.

Recipients this year are: Robert Carlson, Ph.D., Communications; JoAnn Eickhoff-Shemek, Ph.D., Health, Physical Education and Recreation; Robert Fulkerson, Computer Science; Roger Hoburg, Chemistry; Kermit Peters, Music; Philip Reeder, Geography-Geology; Paul Sather, Social Work; and David Volkman, Banking and Finance.

A University Relations press release said the awards are "a collective expression of the alumni body's recognition of the importance and value of instruction in higher education." Recipients are chosen by a committee of their peers in each college.

"The awards further the Alumni Association's mission 'to concentrate the divided efforts of the graduates into one unit in order to work more proficiently for the up building of the school and to promote, as far as

possible, the activities of the school.'"

Jim Leslie, UNO Alumni House Director, said the actual awards may not be large, but the meaning is big.

"It's a small thing to show appreciation for those teachers that are doing good, good things in the classroom," Leslie said.

In addition to the previous awards, Professorship awards will be distributed to the following: Wikil Kwak, accounting, will receive the William Hockett Alumni Association Diamond Professorship; Doug Paterson, dramatic arts, The Isaacson Professorship; Cassia Spohn, criminal justice, The Kayser chair and Michael Tate, history, will receive the Ralph Wardle Professor of Arts and Science and the Alumni Association Diamond Professorship.

The breakfast will be held at 7 a.m. followed by keynote speaker John Gardner at 8:15 a.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center's Ballroom, Nebraska and Aksarben rooms.

Get to Know Your Campus



Answer:

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The University of Nebraska at Omaha Honors Week April 11 - 16, 1999

The University of Nebraska at Omaha
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of outstanding faculty and students.

Their accomplishments reflect well upon the University
and continue to set a standard for excellence.

The University Honors and Awards Committee
congratulates all award recipients and invites the University community
to join in the activities and events scheduled in their honor.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, April 11

Student Honors Convocation
Strauss Performing Arts Center
Recital Hall
1:30 p.m.

Honoring the recipients of:
Vice Chancellor's Outstanding Leadership
Award

Vice Chancellor's Award
Deans' Awards
Undergraduate Major Honorees
by College
Outstanding Scholar Athlete Award
Helen Hansen Graduate Award
(Reception following)

Monday, April 12

Department of Foreign Languages
Student Symposium and Student
Departmental Honors
Arts and Sciences Hall
Room 205
1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 13

Freshman Honor Societies
Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma
Induction Breakfast
Milo Bail Student Center
Chancellor's Room
7:30 a.m.

International Studies Honors Luncheon
Honoring the recipients of:
Outstanding International Students
Study-Abroad Scholarship Awards
Milo Bail Student Center
Chancellor's Room
Noon

Project Achieve
Fourth Annual Honors Reception
Honoring the Outstanding Project Achieve
Students and Faculty Awards
Milo Bail Student Center
Nebraska Room
1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 14

Faculty Honors Convocation
Milo Bail Student Center
Ballroom, Nebraska & Aksarben Room
Continental Breakfast: 7:00 a.m.
Convocation: 7:30 a.m.
Keynote Speaker, John Gardner: 8:15 a.m.

Honoring the recipients of:
University of Nebraska System Outstanding
Research and Creative Activity Award
Distinguished Research or
Creative Activity Award
University Excellence in Teaching Award
Alumni Outstanding Teaching Award
1998 Named Professorships

College of Education
Distinguished Alumni Luncheon
W.H. Thompson Alumni Center
Bootstrapper Hall
Noon

Honors Program Symposium
Undergraduate Research
and Creative Activity
Milo Bail Student Center
Chancellor's & Board Rooms
1:00 to 2:30 p.m. ~ Presentations

College of Education
MacAllister Scholars in Education
Reception
W.H. Thompson Alumni Center
Parlor/Patio Area
3:30 p.m.

College of Fine Arts
Honors & Awards Ceremony
and Reception
Strauss Performing Arts Center
Recital Hall
4:00 p.m.

**Student Organizations &
Leadership Development**
Student Leaders Reception
Honoring the recipients of:
1998-99 Student Leaders of the Month
Outstanding Organization of the Year
Outstanding Adviser of the year
Vice Chancellor's Leadership Award
Recipient and Finalists
Milo Bail Student Center
Omaha Room
3:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 15

Honors Program Symposium
Undergraduate Research
and Creative Activity
Milo Bail Student Center
Chancellor's & Board Rooms
1:00 to 2:30 p.m. ~ Presentations

College of Continuing Studies
Outstanding Faculty Reception
Peter Kiewit Conference Center
Dean's Conference Room
3:00 p.m.

Friday, April 16

Omicron Delta Kappa
Seniors Breakfast
UNO Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa
Milo Bail Student Center
Chancellor's Room
7:30 a.m.

College of Continuing Studies
Alpha Sigma Lambda
Initiation and Reception
Peter Kiewit Conference Center
Room 200
5:30 p.m.

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Maybe it Went Down the Sink



Last Sunday, as I was watching the performance of Dracula at the playhouse, I noticed an interesting quirk about some people. They suck. Not everyone mind you, just some. Everyone knows when you're going to see a show about Dracula, its going to be a drama, right? Well, apparently not. Some members of the audience were oblivious to this and for some rea-

son or another decided they would laugh at the most inopportune times. One such time, not only killed the entire mood of the scene for me; it distracted me for the next few scenes as I sat in dismay of such tactlessness. Are these people just dumb, or are they merely blind to the appropriate conduct in different social settings they reside in? I was surprised to be witness to such conduct at the playhouse. A movie theater I can understand, but not at the playhouse. I suppose I was being stereotypical when I thought of the audience at a play as having a greater understanding of correct behavior. But, I guess it doesn't

matter what type of event you attend, there are always going to be ill-mannered individuals who lack the foresight to see how their actions might affect other audience member.

This however, was not my only gripe with my visit to the playhouse. As my friend and I realized, we sitting in the wrong seat and made our way to our proper place, we had to ask this old fat lady to please excuse us as we made our way to our seats. Did she get up and let us by like a normal individual would? No, she complained and bellowed about having to get up and move for us. Like

it was our fault our seats were in her row. Did she really expect to have a seat on the end of a row and not have to get up to let people by? Come on now.

What ever happened to common sense and manners; have they gone the way of eating fatty foods and smoking inside, soon to be relics of a past society, where people actually cared equally about others as themselves? I am leaning toward yes, but there is a ray of hope. A glimmer of rainbow left over from a hailstorm of personal gratification put above the advancement of mankind. There are those individuals out there

who still care about other people, who still seek to help their fellow humans. Unlike the Ken Starrs of this world, who seek justice only insofar as to the advancement of their cause. But they seemingly are becoming as sparse and spread across as the stars that fill the blackness of outer space. Fortunately, like the stars, they are out there—but they too are getting harder to see, as we look out and up into the future. But one day we will catch on, and on that day we will, with striking clarity, see how life can be, if we simply take the time to realize it is bigger than our own individuality.

Capel Cottage Revue: Life's Lessons 101



I don't want to give anybody false hope, but I think spring is finally here.

Robins are canvassing the front yard, pulling up worms the size of Vermont. Kids are playing baseball out in the street. A pair of skunks are camping out beneath my deck to surprise me each morning.

Still, spring is wonderful.

The days grow long and warm. The birch and poplar begin budding. Wild flowers pop up along the roadside. Swallows and bluejays circle overhead, taking direct aim at my Ford Contour.

Spring is the season all the house plants get repotted, the windows get washed and the chimney gets swept.

Spring is a season of new birth. New growth. New life.

Gone are the nightmares of long winter blizzards. Gone is the numbing cold. Spring is here with the joy of bountiful sunshine bursting colors, and our new friend, the deer tick.

There are a lot of lessons to learn before venturing forth into spring. Most of these lessons I was able to learn first hand, so I consider it an honor to share them with you.

-A squirrel will bite you.

-There's more blood in the palm of your hand than you would have thought.

-If you're not 100 percent sure what poison ivy looks like, wear socks and long pants before

hiking in the woods.

-Don't believe your friends when they tell you that rubbing salt on your arms and neck will repel mosquitoes.

-A really sharp set of roto-tiller blades will continue to rotate 11-12 times once you've gotten your foot caught in them.

-There's a lot more blood in your toes than you would have thought.

-Dog poop smells worse on your sneakers than it does when it's just sitting on the ground.

-Old Spice doesn't repel mosquitoes either.

-Johnson's law of mowing: The chances of your finding a rock with the lawn mower blade the first time out this spring is exactly equal to the possibility that your blade will hurl that rock right through your living room window.

-It's not a good idea to make jokes about the Nebraska-Texas game at a Lincoln sports bar while wearing a Dallas Cowboys hat.

-There's a lot more blood in your nose than you would have thought.

-Apparently, the Games and Parks division DOES expect you to purchase a fishing license PRIOR to dropping a line in your favorite lake.

-The game warden I met does not take bribes.

-Spring cleaning is an evil we all must face. Just a hint: As you scale your six-foot ladder to dust the high spots, realize there's a reason the warning label reads "Lock the spreader bars before climbing ladder..."

-Hitting your knee on the corner of a solid oak coffee table after a six-foot fall hurts...a lot.

-A wasp will protect its nest, even if you stumble upon it purely by accident.

-You cannot take the cloverleaf exit ramp from 72nd street onto I-80 doing 45 in a 1995 Ford Contour.

-Napalm only makes mosquitoes mad.

The Viewfinder

Gateway photographer Andy Liakos asked UNO students, "How do you feel towards NATO's decision to bomb Kosovo?"



Jared Wright
Senior
Major: Communication

"I don't support it. I feel the U.S. involvement...is ruining our relationship with Russia. I know bad things are going on (in Kosovo), but bad things are going on here."



Heather Weiss
Freshman
Major: Business

"In a way I do, but when I see all of those (refugees) fleeing to other countries, it upsets me. I don't know if there would be anything else to do besides throwing bombs at them, but if it gets to the point that you can't do anything else, then I guess you might have to use some force."



Leslie Van Ackeren
Sophomore
Major: Undecided

"I think the whole thing sucks. It's unjust, very messy and I don't think it is for the best."

photos by Andy Liakos

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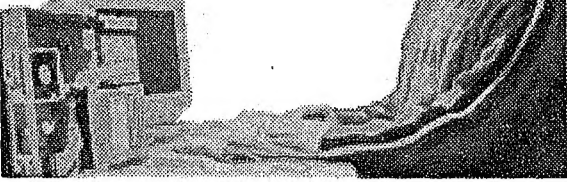
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ASK THE COMPUTER GUY

BY PETE WEITZEL



This is the sixth of the Gateway's "Ask the Computer Guy" series. The purpose of this series is to simplify the complexity of computing technology. We encourage the UNO community to E-mail The Computer Guy (computerguy@gateway.unomaha.edu) questions and get answers every other Tuesday this semester.

Dear Computer Guy,
I've recently installed a soundcard in my machine, but it doesn't work. When I start Windows98 it continually blasts a loud repetitive beep no matter what I set the volume to. Is it a bad soundcard?
One Deaf Dude

Dear Deaf Dude,
What you are experiencing is your soundcard crying out for help.

This is the standard procedure for a sound card that not correctly installed. But it's not your fault. The soundcard is beeping because it is not finding the resources it needs to correctly play sound. Think of resources like a power strip: you have a lot of plugs plugged in right now and now you want to plug in a fat box plug. Even though you may have a slot open, there may not be enough room around the slot to have your plug fit. All devices in your machine need a combination of resources. These resources are DMA, I/O addresses, memory addresses and IRQ.

Some devices don't use any while some may use them all. Your soundcard device cannot correctly use or find the

resources it needs. Try "right-clicking" on "My Computer," go to "Properties," click on "Device Manager" and then click on your soundcard. Windows98 has a built-in hardware troubleshooter, which shall walk you through on finding a free resource for your device. This troubleshooter will, to continue the analogy, arrange the plugs on the strip so your plug can fit.

Dear Computer Guy,
I've seen some cool stuff out on the Internet. I want to be able to make web pages and all that Java jazz, but I don't want to learn from a book. Can UNO teach me this?

Stupefied in Strauss

Dear Stupefied in Strauss,
The answer to your question is a resounding "yes." Recently, the computer science department has issued a new class: CS2850 "Internet Programming" that started this spring. Bob Fulkerson, a current

shareholder of the "Teacher of the Year" award, is the instructor for the inaugural first semester. This class teaches the details of HTML, Perl, Java and CGI. If you are interested in finding more about the class, stop by the computer science department located on the second floor or e-mail Mr. Fulkerson at rfulk@mobius.unomaha.edu.

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Techno Lingo

"Blue Screen Of Death"

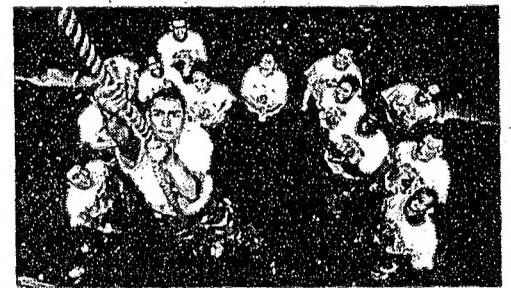
This is a common term for people who use Windows95, 98 or NT on a frequent basis. "Blue Screen of Death" is derived from when Windows is unable to handle an error that occurred. When this happens, your monitor shows a blue screen with an error message. Usually when this happens you will either need to reboot or re-install your Microsoft product. Since this message stops you from doing anything else, it has been coined the phrase "Blue Screen of Death."

For the Record

The "Brasile Puts Wheels in Motion" story was mistakenly credited to Tony Dreibus. The writer was
Jennifer Corell.

The dress rehearsal of "All in the Timing" will be held
**April 14 at 8 p.m. in the Weber
Fine Arts Building.**

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First Evening Session May 10 - June 25

00026	ART 1010	Art Appreciation	MW	5:30-8:30
00028	ART 1100	Foundation Drawings & Design	MW	5:00-10:00
00029	ART 1810	Watercolor I	TR	5:00-10:00
00030	ART 1820	Watercolor II	TR	5:00-10:00
00388	DART 1010	Introduction to the Theatre	MW	6:00-9:50
00389	DART 1050	Film History & Appreciation	TR	7:00-10:05
00390	DART 1050	Film History & Appreciation	TR	5:30-8:35
00805	MUS 1090	Music Appreciation	MW	6:00-9:05

First Day Session June 7 - July 9

00034	ART 2050	Survey Western Art History I	TR	9:15-12:30
00806	MUS 1090	Music Appreciation	MTWRF	8:15-10:15
01228	WRWS 1500	Introduction to Creative Writing	MTWRF	9:15-10:50

Second Evening Session June 28 - August 6

00035	ART 2060	Survey Western Art History II	MW	6:00-9:00
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Second Day Session July 12 - August 13

01451	ART 3530	Papermaking	MTWR	9:00-12:00
00319	DART 1050	Film History & Appreciation	TWR	8:40-12:10
00392	DART 1090	Oral Interpretation of Literature	MTWRF	9:15-10:50
01413	WRWS 1500	Introduction to Creative Writing	MTWRF	1:00-2:35

Exhibit Promotes Education About Homosexuality

Vineta Pritchard
Staff Writer

Love was the theme at "Love Makes a Family: Living in Lesbian and Gay Family's" photo exhibit in the Milo Bail Student Center's Chancellor Room Monday and Tuesday.

The exhibit, sponsored by Family Diversity Projects, was part of "equality begins at home," a nationwide event, said Scott Winkler, chair of Citizens for Equal Protection.

"The objective was to bring attention and awareness to gay and lesbian families in Omaha and the state capital," Winkler said.

The exhibit has been in Nebraska the entire month of March, making stops at Creighton University, Wayne State College and the Nebraska Aids Project, Winkler said.

"In Nebraska it is legal to be fired

because of your sexual orientation, most people think the right is protected in civil rights but it is not," he said.

The exhibit showed pictures of families made up of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender couples. Lynne Polito was featured in the exhibit. For Polito, who didn't come out until she was a senior in high school, after her relationship with a woman ended, she entered a relationship with a man and became pregnant. She wanted to keep the baby. Polito knows her daughter Sophie doesn't know she's bisexual and doesn't care. She knows who takes care of her and who loves her, Polito said.

Marcelle Cook Daniels profile was quite unique. Daniels, a transitioned male said, "Families come in different shapes and sizes: two mommies; two daddies; one mommy; one daddy. Our Son Kai's family

has a mommy and a daddy. His daddy gave birth to him."

These situations are unheard of by many and the goal of the Family Diversity Project is to combat homophobia, and make the unknown, visible.

Peggy Gillespie, co-founder of Love Makes a Family, said "being gay or straight has nothing to do with your ability to raise a child." Gillespie doesn't want children to have to be raised with a society that hates them, "kids are tormented, but people are beginning to become more educated."

Education is what Gillespie is promoting. She has another photo exhibit titled, "Of Many Colors: Portraits of Multiracial Families." "Racism has not faded, it's huge still," she said.

Things will get better, Gillespie said. For now, many gay and lesbian couples adopt

children as single parents to get around the system. For children of divorced parents, who now are gay or lesbian, stereotyping is still unavoidable. "When people tell me my family is bad and is going to hell because there's love in it, it makes no sense to me. All I can say is why don't you meet us first and then make a decision," said Anna Heller, whose mother told her at age nine that she was a lesbian. Heller is on the advisory board at Family Diversity Projects.

Gillespie said those who bring the Bible up in defense of heterosexual couples must be aware, if you believe everything in the Bible, such as never wear mixed fabrics, polyester wearers would be sinning or if you commit adultery you should be killed. She says, "we better get rid of Clinton." If you take everything literal in the Bible it talks about men together, so are lesbians ok?"

Upcoming Events

Police Chief To Speak

Bellevue Police Chief Hines Smith will be speak at UNO on Wednesday, April 13 and Thursday, April 14 from 9 a.m. to noon on how to effectively diffuse conflict while communicating with others.

The sessions will describe and apply listening and understanding techniques, recognize how cultural issues may lead to misunderstanding and conflict, understand the perception of resentment for authority figures and apply conflict resolution techniques.

Achievement and Community Service Awards

Shirley Waskel, Ph.D., professor of gerontology, will receive the 1999 Individual Outstanding Achievement Award from the chancellor's commission on the status of women Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Milo Bail Student Center. Waskel, honored this year for 25-years of teaching at UNO, established the Program for Women and Successful Aging (PWSA) in 1995.

David Sokol, CEO of CalEnergy will receive the Community Service Award from the commission at the luncheon.

Kids' Basketball Camps

The UNO's men's basketball team will be hosting five summer camps beginning June 10.

Junior Maverick Camp for boys ages six through nine will be June 10-11; Fundamental Camp I for boys ages seven through 16 will be June 21-24; Offensive Improvement Camp for boys ages eight through 16 will be held June 28-July 1; Fundamental Camp II, for boys ages seven through 16 will be held July 27-30; and Shooting Camp for boys ages eight through 16 will be August 2-5.

Instructors will include UNO head coach Kevin Lehman, former and current UNO basketball players and coaches and area high school coaches.

Campers will receive a \$10 discount if

registered by May 15.

The Stampede Is On

The Maverick Stampede 10K (6.2 miles) and two-mile fun run will be held Saturday, April 11, beginning at 10 a.m. at UNO's Caniglia Field.

The organization and administration of physical education class will collaborate with campus recreation to host the event.

Prizes will be awarded, and each participant will receive a long-sleeve T-shirt and water bottle.

Each division will have a male and female class. The divisions are: 19-under; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50-59; 60-69; 70-79; and 80-up. Cost is \$15 until April 10 and \$18 the day of the race.

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Feng Shui President Lectures About Principle of Chi

Cara Rungo
Staff Writer

By rearranging furniture, you could improve your life.

Feng shui, which means "wind-water," is a 3,000-year-old Chinese method believed to create balance and harmony between humans and their natural surroundings.

The concept says that if we harmonize with our environment, we can cultivate the free flow of positive energy. This, in turn, invites positive people, events and emotions into our homes and lives. This is done partly by examining our homes and comparing each section of it to an aspect of our lives. We can improve our quality of life by reducing clutter in our homes.

David Daniel Kennedy, president of Feng Shui International, teaches and lectures world-wide. Kennedy has practiced feng shui since 1994, and has appeared as a guest speaker for two consecutive international feng shui conferences and Germany's First International Feng Shui Congress in

1998. He is also a columnist in Feng Shui/the journal and Natural Health.

Kennedy follows the Black Sect System, a new-school method of feng shui, which teaches how any ill-structured home can be modified.

Kennedy lectured March 30 at Barnes & Noble bookstore on the principle of Chi, which means breath or spirit.

"Chi is the essence of Feng Shui," Kennedy said. "Chi is life-energy. Chi is what we are—chi is in our home."

He explained that chi is directly connected to both our internal and external experiences. Feng shui is a simply way to condition chi.

Kennedy's book, "Feng Shui: Tips for a Better Life," includes more than 200 tips for harmonious living in areas of life ranging from wealth to knowledge.

During his lecture, Kennedy said, "My book is like a portal—it allows you to enter Feng Shui easily."

Kennedy explained that because the placement of objects is natural to all

humans, "feng shui is in us already."

UNO world religions professor Nicolai Roddy reinforces this idea. He believes we all practice feng shui to some extent.

"Have you ever wandered into a restaurant—one you've never been in before, yet know exactly where and how you wanted to sit. That's Feng Shui," Roddy said.

Roddy added that the concept of feng shui is rooted in Archaic Chinese folk religion.

"It's a world view that's very sensitive to the external pulse of reality. The natural world itself provides a context for that reality," Roddy said. "That pulse is the harmonic interplay between yin and yang forces."

Kennedy's how-to manual reveals cures for homes where negativity pervades as well as tips for increasing chi and enriching lives. The following tips cater to students needing mental energy and a financial boost:

Empower you life with a red front door. The front door is the key point in the home because all positive and negative energy

enters through the front door. A red door can improve all areas of your life.

Reduce stress by keeping electrical items away from the bed. Electrical devices emit harmful electromagnetic fields, which can drain vital life forces.

Stimulate wealth Chi by adding an aquarium. Aquariums and fish bowls increase your financial position if added to either your home or office. Make sure it contains either nine fish or any number divisible by nine. Gold fish are lucky.

Hear opportunity calling with working doorbells. Repair broken doorbells. Don't let opportunity go by because you can't hear your doorbell ringing.

Enhance family learning and study with visible books. Books promote and increase learning, especially when they are placed near the front door.

Kennedy added that positive things manifest only if we visualize the desired outcome and prioritize our lives. Cleaning up our homes is no substitute for cleaning up our lives.

Fundraiser Keeps KVNO Strong

KVNO Radio has raised \$69,293 during the on-air portion of its 1999 spring membership campaign, a 40 percent increase from the amount raised in October, 1998.

The drive, which ran from March 15-24, will allow for funding of capital expenses to improve service to listeners, according to a press release from the station.

KVNO, which is licensed to UNO, plays mostly classical music and features jazz and some specialty programming on the weekends.

About 330 new members pledged finan-

cial support and about 350 individuals renewed their memberships. The average pledge was \$86, and nine area businesses contributed a total of \$2,625.

The spring direct mail fund-raiser has raised \$39,275 so far, with 587 individuals renewing their memberships by mail.

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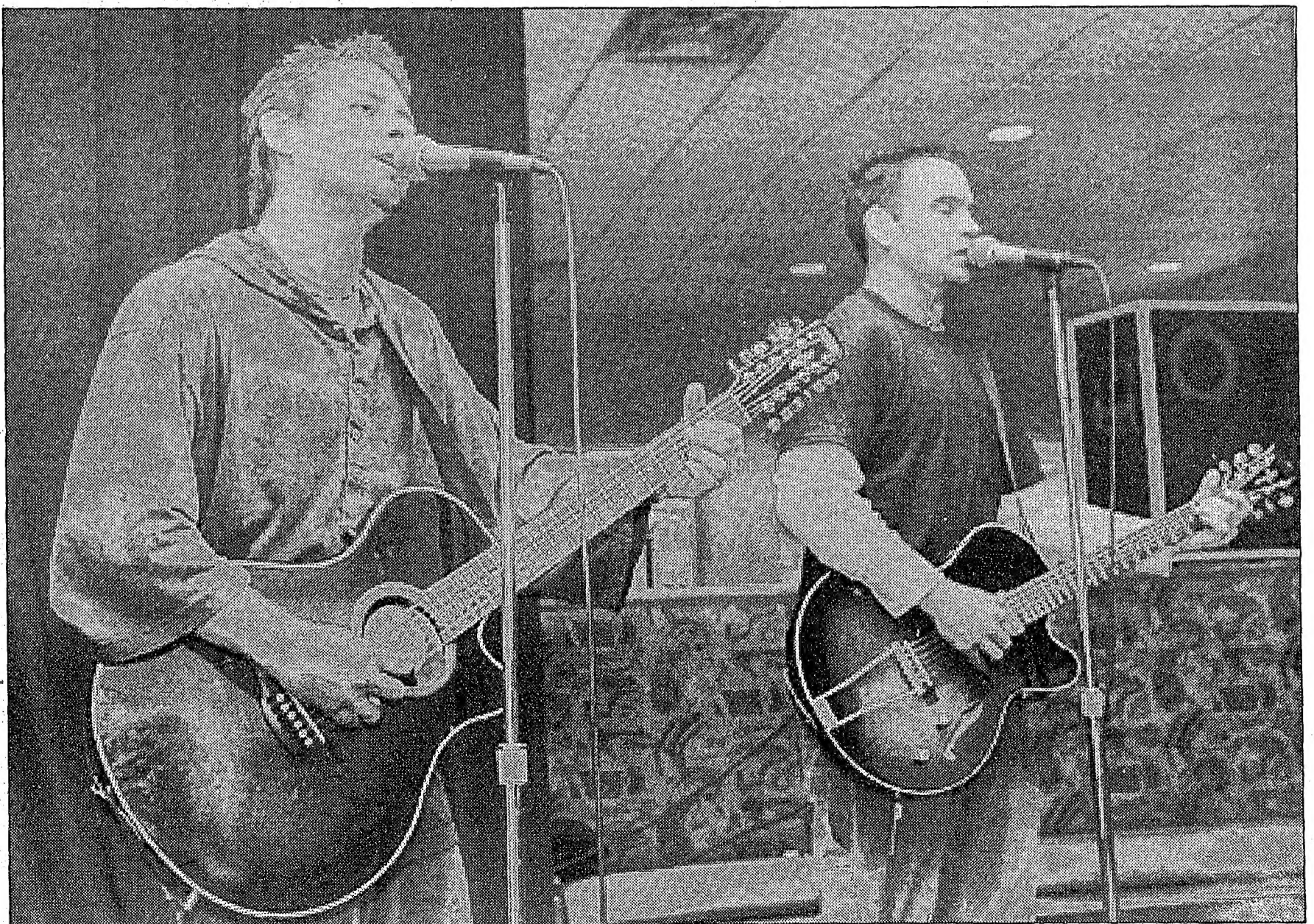


Taking a look back: March Mavness Week, "Party Like It's 1999"



Opposite page, top: Comedian Buzz Sutherland does his Donald Duck impression for students. Opposite page, left: Community education trainer of Planned Parenthood Tara Miller Donohue demonstrates how to insert a female condom in a woman's vagina. Opposite page, right: Comedian Kivi Rogers entertains students in the Milo Bail Student Center ballroom.

This page, top left: Mime Yass Hakoshima dazzles students with movement theatre. This page, right: The band Wine Field delights students with their voices and guitars in the Fireplace lounge of the Milo Bail Student Center. Shaw Tooley, left, and Jimmy Landry's music has been featured on such TV shows as "Dawson's Creek" and "Party of Five." This page, below: Tooley, left, and Landry.



From the President's Corner: Setting the Standard

During spring break, while most of you were off somewhere getting a tan and drinking heavily, I spent a few nights in lovely Kearney, Neb. The March University of Nebraska Board of Regents meeting was hosted by UNK.

One of the big issues going into the meeting was a statement prohibiting the sale or consumption of alcohol at any sporting event sponsored or hosted by the university. After the current UNO hockey contract ran out with the city, there would be no more beer at games.

Not a big deal right?

I am all for not selling or consuming alcohol at games, but why change the rules when there have been no problems in two years of a program?

When the beer contract was argued before the board of regents two years ago, Lincoln Regent Chuck Wilson told of the great incidents that would take place and how no one would enjoy games because

beer was being sold.

I've been a season ticket holder for two years have never seen anyone (besides myself) get out of hand due to beer consumption.

Another reason I opposed the policy is the lack of commitment by the board to live by the same rule.

Regents like to enjoy a glass of wine or beer after a long day of meetings at receptions and dinner.

Why not take that away?

I tried to amend the statement to include any regental activity saying that if we force our fans to live by this policy we should too. Don't set a standard you are not willing to keep yourself.

The amendment failed in a 4 to 4 vote. The vote didn't show that we all are a bunch of drunks, but that we didn't want to live by a rule that excluded us.

The policy failed keeping everything like it is, no alcohol on campuses.

What does all this business about alcohol have to do with life?

If we keep following leaders who are not willing to live by their own rules, we will continue to see negative reports of presidents and other elected officials. I wouldn't hire someone if they wouldn't follow their own standards so why would I elect anyone like that.

In all my time of being a so-called leader I have attempted to not make rules I did not want to follow myself.

Why should I make you do something I wouldn't? I encourage everyone to try this for just one day. Live by the standards you set for other people. If you don't want friends lying to you, don't lie to them. If you think someone should ask you out, make the first move and approach them.

Whatever you do in your life whether it be politics or art, don't set standards you can't follow yourself.



Editor's Note: Student President/Regent Jon Shradar will be addressing various topics in "From The President's Corner." This will be featured in the first Tuesday of every month in *The Gateway*.

GREEN ROOM: Taboo Discussed

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from the task at hand, but students are appreciative of its availability. "Clean up is important," said senior drama major Rachel McCutchen. "Technically, the room only has to be open for shows, so we're fortunate that they let us hang out here."

Newcomers also appreciate the room because it makes their transition to UNO easier. Freshman drama major Ryan Conneally recalled that, on the first day of classes, they were lined up for "mug shots" to be displayed on the wall. Classmate Libby Lind, who drops by the Green Room several times a day, said she was "really nervous at first because everyone knew each other." Then all the drama majors sported name tags for a week to aid new students. now she regards the room as a place to go for "fun."

"We're trying to change the atmosphere of the department. Here in the Green Room, we've put up posters from all the plays performed in this building. We've added another bulletin board for student announcements, and we occasionally rearrange the couches."

Senior theater education major Kasey Brandt said the Green Room also has a "protective factor."

"If someone is there that we don't recognize, someone will ask them, 'Who are you?' We watch out for each other," Brandt said.

Brandt spoke for many students who feel "no conversation topic is taboo. Sex, religion, politics, things that would be inappropriate in an everyday business setting, are openly discussed here."

But this openness has its

repercussions. "The walls have ears—an mouth," Brennan said.

Many agreed that there is no such thing as a private conversation in the Green Room, but focused more on the positives. "This is where you go when you're looking for someone," Coate said. "Usually you'll find them here."

Brandt recalled that everyone came to the Green Room to celebrate after finding out "All in the Timing" was going to Washington, D.C. for the American College Theater Festival, a national competition.

So if you happen to traverse through the Fine Arts building, remember that dwelling in the basement like Gaston Leroux's phantom, are the drama majors.

You can see this close knit family first hand in their production of "Three Sisters," April 7-10.

Lucas Donates Dollars To USC

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LOS ANGELES - "Star Wars" director George Lucas passed along the force in the form of a \$1.5 million donation to the University of Southern California's School of Cinema-Television that will be used to build a new digital studio.

Construction of the 20,000-square-foot building, which will house the latest and greatest technology in digital filmmaking, will get underway in June.

The new studio will be named after Japanese filmmaker Akira Kurosawa and will be an addition to the Robert Zemeckis Center for Digital Arts, which is set for completion in 2001. The studio will be funded in part by the \$5 million gift

Zemeckis donated to the cinema school in October.

Lucas, who is responsible for the "Star Wars" trilogy and "American Graffiti," graduated from USC in 1966. He donated money in the 1980s to build the George Lucas Instructional Building for the School of Cinema-Television.

He said he decided to name the new studio after Kurosawa because he thought the director would inspire future filmmakers.

"His ability to transform a vision into a powerful work of art is unparalleled," Lucas said. "So it seemed appropriate to name the new digital stage after him."

"I learned that change is not easy, but it is possible."



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GRANT: Local Doctor To Study ADHD

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They have trouble concentrating on schoolwork, may be disorganized, often late, have a tendency to lose things and may daydream excessively.

ADHD children may or may not have all the symptoms of ADD, but hyperactivity usually involves behavioral problems to some degree. Hyperactive children are sometimes impulsive, pushy or talk out of turn and may seem immature compared to peers. Since their attention span is short and their energy level is high, ADHD children often do poor academically even though their IQ's may be high or average.

According to the journal, drug therapy in conjunction with behavior and environmental modification is the usual method of treatment in the United States. Stimulants are used to give ADHD children enough "mental energy" to focus.

Several medications are commonly prescribed for ADHD. Behavior modification is applied at home, at school and sometimes in mental health care settings.

UNMC was awarded more than \$4.8 million in grants for research projects dur-

ing the last three month of 1998, including \$1,177,883 from federal sources, \$2,807,996 from industry sources and \$851,958 from unnamed sources. The \$4.8 million represents a 26% increase over research awards for the last quarter of 1997.

Dr. Thomas Porter, a UNMC cardiologist has been awarded two grants totaling \$242,331. Molecular Biosystems, Inc. awarded an 186,111 grant to Porter for a study that will measure how ultrasound can detect blood flow abnormalities in the heart. The remaining \$56,220 grant came from AVI BioPharma, Inc., to see if ultrasound can therapeutically deliver certain types of drugs to targeted areas of the body and/or be used to break up blood clots that have formed in arteries.

Caren Barnes, coordinator of clinical research for the UNMC College of Dentistry, is the primary investigator for a \$57,035 award given by Rowenta Werkes GMBH. It will be used to determine if a manual toothbrush and the Rowenta MH900 instrument will have different effects on dental plaque accumulation and reduction of gingivitis.

Lewinsky Meets Hillary At Book-Signing

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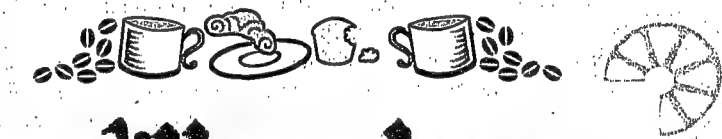
PARIS - Former White House intern Monica Lewinsky might have been forgiven for thinking the joke was on her when she was asked to dedicate her book to Hillary during a signing session in Paris Wednesday.

"I knew she wouldn't believe me," said 15-year-old Hillary Wasch from Florida,

who had taken advantage of a trip to Paris to come to the book-signing in the prestigious department store Galeries Lafayette.

"She just smiled at me. But I showed her my student card, and she signed 'To Hillary'."

The irony would not have been lost on Lewinsky that even the spelling was the same as the one used by First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.



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Report: Federal Lending Not Proven To Save Costs

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WASHINGTON - The Education Department has insisted that it saves money by providing college loans directly to students and their parents rather than subsidizing loans made by mostly private lenders, but the department's internal watchdogs say that's not necessarily true.

Steven A. McNamara, the department's acting inspector general, has released a report concluding that low interest rates mean low costs, but that when interest rates are high, the government pays more to make loans in its direct-lending program than it recoups from borrowers who are repaying loans.

The report is ammunition for critics of the government's direct-loan program, established five years ago.

Finance officials continue to argue over the two major types of loans doled out to student borrowers each year. For many years, the government offered banks and other private lending institutions subsidies so that they would offer student loans.

Then in 1994, the government decided to cut out the middleman and started a lending program of its own.

Internal auditors charged with comparing the costs of the two loan programs noted that doing so was difficult because interest rates vary each year. But they did clearly state that outdated computer equipment is partly to blame for some of the extra costs attributed to the direct-loan program. McNamara warned legislators about similar problems last year and cautioned that if left uncorrected much longer, they could hamper the department's ability to

report reliable numbers on its financial statements.

Education Department officials already are disputing McNamara's report because they say he did indeed analyze outdated figures for 1996 and 1997, which resulted in unfair comparisons between the government's actions and how the best private lenders would manage the direct-lending program.

The conflict between direct and government-subsidized loans is expected to continue as lawmakers establish the fiscal 2000 budget. President Clinton angered Republican lawmakers and private lenders when he proposed a budget plan that gave the direct-loan program more funding and cut the private lenders' subsidy. Direct loans make up a third of the \$32 billion student-loan market.

Yahoo To Say It Will Buy Broadcast.Com

College Press Exchange

Internet high-flier Yahoo Inc. is expected to announce Thursday that it will purchase Dallas-based Broadcast.com Inc. in a stock transaction valued at about \$5.7 billion.

Under terms of the deal, Broadcast.com, a pioneer in sending audio and video over the Internet, will become the multimedia heart of Santa Clara, Calif.-based Yahoo, which rapidly has been transforming itself from a search directory for the World Wide Web into a major media

force.

The purchase price of \$130 per share is higher than had been expected.

Broadcast.com is known as the leader in sending multimedia shows over the Internet, thanks to high-profile broadcasts including President Clinton's grand jury testimony in September and a Victoria's Secret fashion show in February.

Yahoo and Broadcast.com have been among the best-performing Internet stocks, bringing both companies extraordinary valuations. Since the beginning of this year, shares in

Broadcast.com, which went public last July, soared 209 percent.

It was unclear Wednesday what impact the transaction would have on Broadcast.com's Dallas operations, its management and 283 employees. But analysts noted that in similar Internet deals, the acquirer seeks to keep the purchased company - and its culture - intact.

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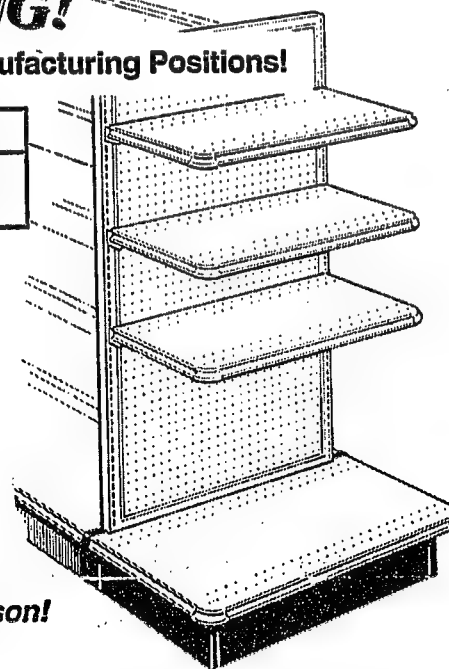
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Your Weekly Horoscope

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Aries (March 21-April 19). Reach out Monday and Tuesday. You're most powerful then. From Wednesday through Friday, pay attention. There will be lots of pop quizzes. Saturday and Sunday, slow down. To relax, play a game you know well.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Count your pennies Monday and Tuesday, but don't take a risk with your money. Only bet on a sure thing. From Wednesday through Friday, you're luckier, but less in the mood to gamble. Romance looks good on Thursday. Saturday and Sunday, you may feel cramped by a dominant person's opinion. If you can't agree, just be polite.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). The competition is fierce Monday and Tuesday, but you should learn a lot. Wednesday and Thursday could get quite expensive if you don't stick to your budget like glue. Saturday and Sunday, you'll want what you've saved to finance a fun expedition.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Work demands attention Monday and Tuesday, and possibly doing over. Be real careful with the details. From Wednesday through Friday, a partner provides advice, if you can manage to take it. Focus on your objective, to work together. Move your money to a safer place over the weekend, and provide comfort to someone you love.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Expand your horizons Monday and Tuesday by learning a new, more advanced skill. Wednesday and Thursday

could be very busy, and Friday, you've got lots of pressure. Luckily, your friends will come through for you. By Saturday, the week's worries have faded, and by Sunday they're completely forgotten, if you'll simply go along with your friend's agenda.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your house is a mess Monday and Tuesday, but not through your own fault. Settle down and don't worry. By Wednesday, conditions get better. Thursday and Friday should be pretty good. There's financial tension all week, but that's not really your fault either. It's somebody else's problem. It could mean you get to work over the weekend, however.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Give up bad habits and start some better ones Monday and Tuesday. From Wednesday through Friday, domestic matters demand your attention. Circumstances require you to make changes, but by this weekend, your life should settle down to a nice routine, much more interesting than before.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Work hard for the money on Monday and Tuesday and you'll most likely get it. Wednesday through Friday, it's education you're receiving. Not as much fun, but it lasts longer. Stay snugly at home this weekend, and schedule at least one intimate conversation.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're strong, lucky and good looking Monday and Tuesday, especially if you're doing something

you've done before. Wednesday through Friday, you could think of new ways to make lots more money. Write them all down. This weekend, you can figure out what you need to learn first, to make all these fabulous new dreams come true.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Private connections can help you get something you want for your home on Monday and Tuesday, at a price you can afford. From Wednesday through Friday, the moon's in your sign, and that makes everything easier. That's good, because you've got a tough job at home to complete. Saturday and Sunday could get kind of expensive, but that's just because you only want the best. And you should have it, too.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your friends have a lot to teach you on Monday and Tuesday. Soak it up. From Wednesday through Friday, you'll be dealing with bureaucrats. Don't let them keep you from getting what you want. That'll be even easier over the weekend, when the moon's in your magnificent sign. Remember to be gentle with those less gifted.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). The good impression you've made is starting to pay off. By Monday and Tuesday, your income could noticeably grow. You'll have more time for friends and worthy causes from Wednesday through Friday. This weekend is good for planning, and for being with the one you love. Don't let previous commitments keep you apart for long.

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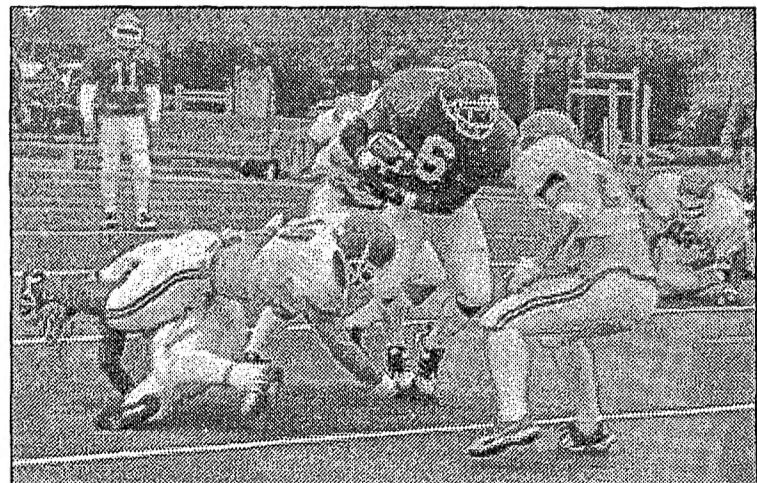
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Football Players Hit the Gridiron



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Sports Editor

The Maverick football team's second scrimmage showed more passing offense than the first but still left the quarterback picture not looking any clearer.

Seth Turman led the way in the air with 80 yards on three-of-six passing. Turman threw a 46-yard touchdown pass to Quincy Kenoly, the only passing touchdown so far this spring. Transfer Kwanzi Watts completed a pass for 42 yards and also scored a touchdown on the ground. Senior Curtis Miller went two-for-10 with 28 yards.

The ground game wasn't able to amass as many yards as last week's scrimmage did. The defense clamped down and allowed 296 yards on 62 carries.

Cory Eikmeier led the way with 82 yards on nine carries, including a pair of runs over 30 yards.

Jess Holland and Adam Wright, each of whom scored a touchdown last week in a scrimmage, picked up 60 and 51 yards, respectively.

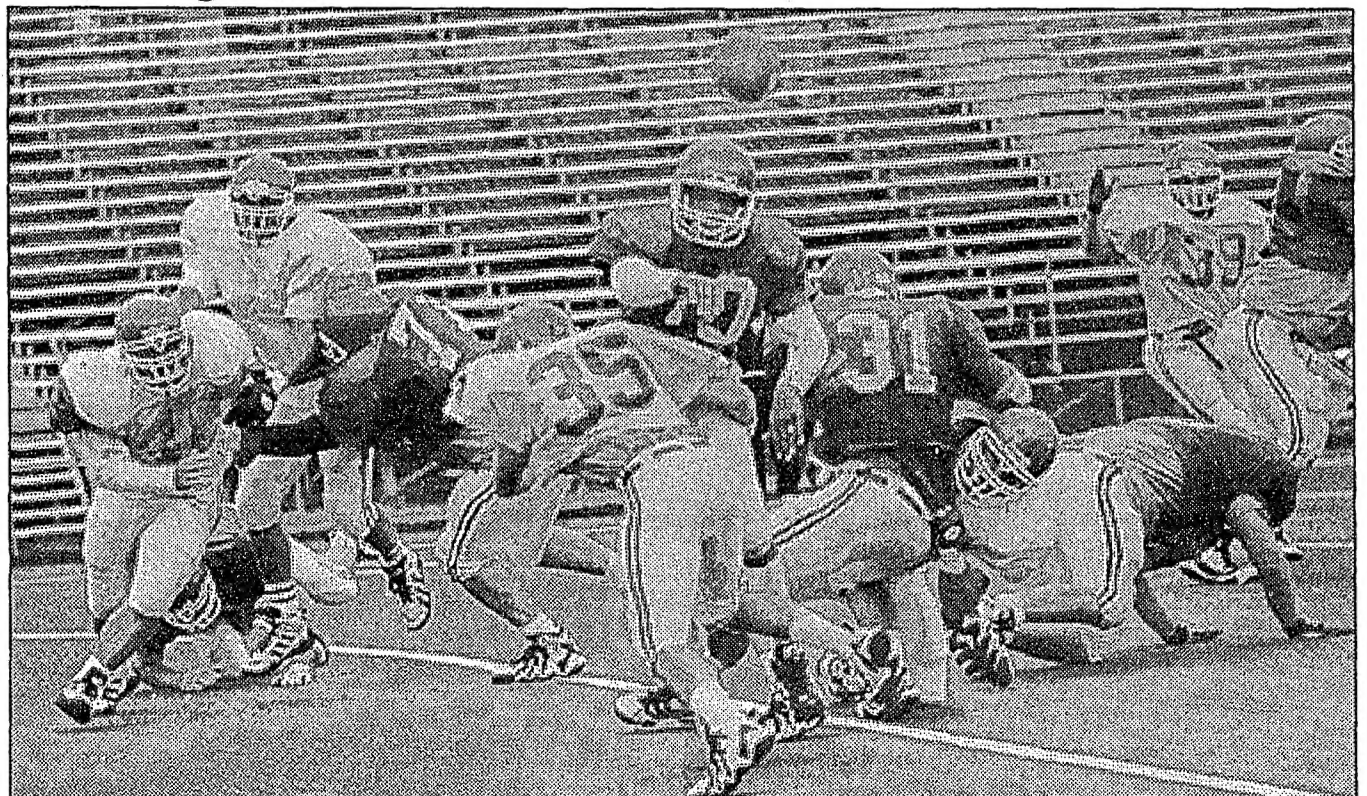
Watts had a rough go of it on the ground as he net minus-10 yards on nine carries. Turman lost 13 yards on five rushes.

The scrimmage was the second of the spring and the annual spring game is April 17.

Top, No. 11 Maverick quarterback Seth Turman hands off the ball to No. 4 runningback Cory Eikmeier at a recent scrimmage. Turman led Maverick quarterbacks with 80 yards in the air Friday.

Middle, runningback No. 6 Adam Wright runs through two Mavericks. Wright rushed nine times for a total of 51 yards.

Right, No. 10 quarterback Kwanzi Watts tosses the ball Friday as No. 35 Clark Diffendaffer makes the tackle. Watts had 42 yards passing on the day.



CM Chris Machlan

Mavericks Take Two at Jackrabbit Invitational

Andy Nordmeier

Sports Editor

The Maverick softball won its first two games at Jackrabbit Invitational Friday afternoon in Brookings, S.D.

The Mavericks opened the tournament with a tight 1-0 win over North Central Conference rival South Dakota.

The two teams were evenly matched and were scoreless after six innings until the Mavericks scored the game's only run in the top of the seventh.

Maverick senior pitcher Tara Buzzell

picked up the four-hit shutout win and raised her record to 8-2 on the season.

In the day's second game, the Mavericks pounded out 16 hits en route to an 8-1 win over Minnesota-Duluth.

The Mavericks staked themselves to an early 2-0 lead by scoring a run in the first and the third innings. As insurance, the Mavericks added a three-spot in the fourth inning and went up 5-0.

That would be more than enough offense for pitcher Michelle Manthei who picked up her 12th win of the season by throwing a three-hitter. The Mavericks were aided by six

Minnesota-Duluth errors and cashed in on them to add an extra three runs in the seventh inning.

Manthei's shutout bid was shot down when Minnesota-Duluth pushed home a run in the last of the seventh.

The Mavericks were originally scheduled to play the University of Mary in the tournament opener but they didn't make it to the tournament. The snowstorm that North Dakota last week wouldn't allow the University of Mary or the University of North Dakota to make the trip to the tournament.

Heading into the second day's action, the Mavericks were scheduled to play a pair of

conference rivals. The Mavericks were on the diamond opposite St. Cloud State at noon. A rematch with Augustana was scheduled for 2 p.m. Results from those two games were not available at press time.

The Mavericks' next action brings them homeward bound as they will have nine home games in the next week. They will have a twinbill against South Dakota State tomorrow at 4 p.m. Northern Colorado comes to town Friday for a doubleheader. This weekend, the Mavericks will play five games in the UNO/Godfathers' Tournament at the LaVista Sports Complex.

Barnstormers, Rattlers to Tangle at Civic

Andy Nordmeier

Sports Editor

"...the quarterback drops back, rolls to his right, throws a prayer and it's caught for a touchdown. The Civic Auditorium is rocking now..."

That could be a radio call of a football game but the part about the Civic Auditorium rocking seems odd.

Football is played on a 100-yard field, outdoors or under a dome.

The definition of football will change this weekend when the Iowa Barnstormers and Arizona Rattlers get together for a pre-season Arena Football League game in the Civic Auditorium Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Several major differences exist in arena football that make it radically different from the football that the Mavericks and Cornhuskers play.

The field and its players

The first one is the field itself. The field is 50 yards long with eight-yard endzones and is 85 feet wide. The goalposts are nine feet wide, half the size of NFL ones, and the crossbar is 15 feet off the ground, five feet higher than the NFL.

On a field that size, there is no possible way to jam 22 players on the field, so the game becomes eight-on-eight. The players also have to play "ironman football" which means they play both offense and defense. Linemen play both sides of the ball, running backs become linebackers and wide receivers become defensive backs with a change in possession.

There is a similarity in that the game is four, 15-minute quarters. The unique factor on it is that the clock is continuously running except in the last minute of the half or at a timeout.

With players on the field and knowing

how much time they have, how do they move the ball?

Teams still need 10 yards for a first down and have four downs to get there. In the arena game, passing is the method of choice on offense. Running games like those of the Mavericks and the option game of the Cornhuskers would be easily shutdown in the arena.

There are four nets, each 30 feet by 32 feet, that hang over the endzones. They keep kickoffs and fieldgoal attempts from going into the crowd and play a vital part in the game.

The rules

Arena football has a different set of rules from the game most people know. In college football, kickoffs are taken from the 35-yard line. In arena football, the play starts on the goal line.

When the ball is in flight, it could hit the 30-by-32-foot nets or the crossbars and, if it does, it's a live ball anybody can get.

Receivers in the arena game use the same rule as college football with only having to have one foot inbounds. That could be tough considering that foam-padded walls are within a foot of the sideline and the back of the end zone.

Another key difference is on fourth down. If it was fourth-and-10 from your own two-yard line, most people would choose to punt.

Not an option in arena football. Punting is not allowed.

On fourth down, the team on offense can either go for a touchdown, first down or a field goal. If they go for the field goal and it hits one of the nets, the ball is in play and anything could happen. A member of the defensive team could try and run the missed field goal back. If he would try to receive it but fumbles it, and the offense gets a hold of

it in the end zone...it's a touchdown.

Scoring

Scoring in arena football is close to "standard football." Touchdowns are still worth six points, the two-point conversion is still an option and two points are awarded for a safety.

The difference is in the kicking game. A field goal is worth three points but if it is drop-kicked (punted) and is good, it becomes worth four points. Also a drop-kicked point after touchdown is worth two points.

The league

The Arena Football League is in a state of constant change. Thirteen teams are in the league but in its 13-year history 24 teams have either folded or moved including the four inaugural teams (Chicago Bruisers, Pittsburgh Gladiators, Denver Dynamite and Washington Commandoes). The team that has been in the same city the longest is the Albany Firebirds that have called upstate New York home since 1991. Los Angeles and New Orleans will have teams in the 2000 season.

The teams have a series of colorful names and logos such as the Grand Rapids Rampage, Texas Thunderbears and San Jose SabreCats, all of which are current teams. Past teams with colorful names were the Minnesota Fighting Pike (1996), the New England Steamrollers (1988) and the Miami Hooters, named after the restaurant (1993-95).

Despite its continuous change, the fans continued to show up in droves and have about 17,000 fans turning out to see the championship game called Arena Bowl. A poll conducted by ESPN and Chilton Sports in June of 1997 showed that 50 million people had seen an arena game on television.

Those numbers put arena football just behind golf and hockey in terms of people who had viewed it. Nearly two million people watched ArenaBowl XII in August 1998 when it was televised on ABC. The league has been over one million in attendance in each of the last three seasons.

Omaha's connection

Just why is the arena football league playing an exhibition game in Omaha? It could be that the Iowa Barnstormers are based out of Des Moines. It could also have something to do with league commissioner David Baker and the Arena Football 2 minor-league that he is trying to start.

"There are 152 minor-league hockey teams throughout the United States and within the next decade our goal is that there will be that many arenafootball2 teams as an off-season compliment," Baker said in a press release.

Omaha could be a target market as initial plans call for a midwestern and a southeastern division and at least six teams to start play in April of 2000. The league is looking for arenas that seat between 4,000 and 12,000 and the Civic Auditorium seats 8,300.

The response has been strong according to Mary Ellen Galring, the league's vice president of development.

"Over 70 arenas, minor-league operators and business leaders have expressed interest in bringing arena football to their communities," Galring said in a press release. "We are committed to utilizing the Arena Football League's 13 years of experience in league development, its blood, sweat and tears."

Perhaps some of that blood, sweat and tears may soak into the surface of the Civic Auditorium Saturday night and Omaha might just be playing a game that was initially a sketch on the back of a manilla envelope almost 20 years ago.

Sport Shorts

Poll News

The Maverick softball team turned some heads in the National Fastpitch Coaches Association Poll. The Mavericks, unranked in the pre-season poll, vaulted up to No. 13 rankings with their 19-6 mark. Augustana (No. 8) and North Dakota State (No. 20) are the two other North central Conference teams in the poll.

Time to Start Your Engines

That rumbling you're hearing just

off Interstate 80 is that of cars getting ready to race at Sunset Speedway. The racers are tuning up their machines and getting ready to run on the season opener, Apr. 18. The speedway's schedule has racing events every Sunday from Apr. 18 to Sep. 13 with NASCAR Winston Racing Series events and five demolition derbies on the schedule. For more information, see them on the web at www.sunsetsspeedway.com.

Spike This!

The Omaha Golden Spikes are getting ready to take to the diamond for the start of the season in the Pacific Coast League. The season opener is Thursday night when they take on the Las Vegas Stars at 9:05 p.m. The home opener is Apr. 16 at 7:05 p.m. against the Memphis

Redbirds.

The Golden Spikes are 9-2-1 in exhibition games and are the AAA affiliate of the Kansas City Royals. The Royals lead the major leagues with a 22-7 mark in spring training.

Hot on the Ice

The Omaha Lancers have made the semi-final round of the Clark Cup Playoffs. They swept the Dubuque Fighting Saints and hold a 1-0 lead over the Green Bay Gamblers in round two. Omaha lost all four times to Green Bay in the regular season. The winner of this series will get a berth in the national Junior "A" Tournament that will be held in Lincoln, Neb. in late April. The Lincoln Stars and Des Moines Buccaneers are paired in the other semi-final.

Women's Track Results Northwest Missouri State Invite

Team Results

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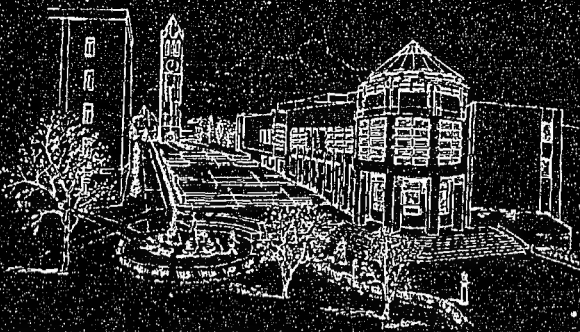
4x400 meter relay - UNO 1st place - 3:59.72; Karissa Foight, Katie McDonnell, Kelly Koziol, Sandy Derby

Pole Vault - Cathy Craig 8th place - 8' 2.5"

High Jump - Suzanne Larsen 1st place - 5' 6.5"
Sandy Derby 2nd place 5' 6.5"

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Tues., April 6th

7 am Catholic Campus Ministry
7:30 am UNO Ambassadors
9 am Take Pride U.N.O.
11 am Greek Week
12 noon Quest
12 noon Civil Engineering
12 noon College Republicans
12:30 pm International Studies
1 pm Master Success
1 pm Native American Studies
2 pm Public Relations Students
4:30 pm Sociology
5 pm Construction Engineering
5 pm Alpha Xi Delta
5 pm Greek Week
7 pm Phi Delta Theta

Wed., April 7th

9 am Student Affairs

9 am Staff Advisory
11 am Political Science
11 am Traffic Appeals
11:30 am Commission Status of Women
12 noon African American Organization
12 noon Const. Engineering
12 noon A.A. Meeting
12 noon Intensive Language
12 noon Chapter Summary Bible Study
2:30 pm Student Programming
3 pm Student Employee of the Year
4:30 pm Sociology
6 pm Beta Alpha Psi

Thurs., April 8th

8 am Criminal Justice Career Fair
9 am K.V.N.O.
11 am Chapter Summary Bible Study
11 am UNO Democrats
11 am Greek Week

12 noon International Studies
12 noon Const. Engineering
12:30 pm College of Education
1 pm Criminal Justice
2:30 pm Panhellenic

Fri., April 9th

8:30 am Architectural Engineering
10 am Engineering
10 am Multicultural Support Services
10 am Maverick Radio
10:30 am Student Affairs
11 am Goodrich Awards
11:45 am Recruitment Committee
11:45 am International Programs
12 noon Interfraternity Council
12 noon Geography Bee
12 noon Dr. Mudd's Luncheon
2 pm Student Organizations
2 pm Judicial Board
5 pm Campus Crusade

6 pm Beta Alpha Psi
6 pm Geography Bee Dinner
6 pm Chemistry Banquet

Sat., April 10th

9 am Sigma Delta Pi
12 noon Sigma Delta Pi
12 noon Theta Chi
8 pm Bennington High School

Sun., April 11th

2 pm Sigma Kappa
3 pm Alpha Kappa Alpha
3 pm Academic Affairs - Reception
3 pm Phi Psi Nu
5 pm Sigma Kappa
5 pm Zeta Tau Alpha
5 pm Theta Chi
6 pm Beta Alpha Psi
6 pm Lambda Chi Alpha

7:30 pm Sig Ep Sing

Mon., April 12th

7 am Shadow Day - Honors Program
7:30 am Computer & Electronics Eng.
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8 am Pathways
9 am Engineering
11:30 am Education Search
11:30 am Honors Program
11:30 am H.P.E.R.
11:30 am Issues & Ideas
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